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SUBJECT: TRIAL OF TERRORISTS

REF: BRUSSELS 4056, STATE 142990, AND KHARTOUM QYTR

1. FONOFF DIRECTOR FOR MIDDLE EAST AFFAIRS (DEPASSE) INFORMED US THAT INSTRUCTIONS ARE BEING SENT TO BELGIAN CHARGE LANCELOT IN KHARTOUM TO ARRANGE FOR BELGIAN REPRESENTATION AT THE TERRORISTS' TRIAL. DEPASSE ASSUMES THAT THE TASK WOULD BE PERFORMED BY THE SUDANESE LEGAL ADVISOR TO THE BELGIAN EMBASSY (FADL), AND HE INDICATED THAT THE BELGIANS ARE MORE INTERESTED IN HAVING AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF THE PROCEEDINGS THAN THEY ARE IN HAVING A BELGIAN AS SUCH PRESENT.

2. DEPASSE UNDERSTANDS FROM LANCELOT THAT THE US AND BELGIAN EMBASSIES IN KHARTOUM ARE CONSIDERING USING JOINTLY A SINGLE SUDANESE OBSERVER (FADL). DEPASSE BELIVES OUR TWO EMBASSIES SHOULD WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE TRIAL, BUT HE ALSO FEELS STRONGLY THAT EACH SHOULD HAVE ITS OWN REPRESENTATIVE AT THE TRIAL IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN "SEPARATE IDENTITY" OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS. THE INSTRUCTIONS TO LANCELOT WILL INDICATE DEPASSE'S VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. DEPAUW, FONOFF COORDINATOR FOR TERRORISM, TOLD US SUBSEQUENTLY THAT HAVING SEPARATE OBSERVERS WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FROM A PRACTICAL POINT OF VIEW AS WELL, SINCE

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THERE WOULD BE GREATER ASSURANCE OF HAVING SOMEONE PRESENT AT THE

TRIAL AT ALL TIMES.

3. WE INFORMED DEPASSE AND DEPAUW OF THE CONTENTS OF STATE
142990 IN RESPONSE TO THE FORMER'S EARLIER QUERY (BRUSSELS
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